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## RATIROADS COMPLETE 1950 PLAN; REPORT CONSTRUCTION PROGRESS

1950 CARLOADINGS, FREIGHT TURNOVER PLANS COMPLETED -- MOSCOW, Pravda, 29 Dec 50

In a report to Stalin Minister of Transportation B. Beshchev has reported that the assignments for freight turnover and carloadings established by the Five-Year Plan for 1950 have been completed ahead of schedule by railroad transport

Moscow, Izvestiya, 30 Dec 50

The 1950 plan for carrying passengers has been exceeded.

Railroad transport is receiving an ever greater quantity of domestically produced electric and diesel locomotives.

During the coming year, it will be necessary to carry even more freight, use equipment better, strive for the completion of the carloading plan by all railroad systems, and accelerate freight car turnaround time. -- V. Garnyk, Deputy Minister of Transportation USSR

ESTONIAN SYSTEM REPORTS SUCCESSES -- Tallin, Sovetskaya Estoniya, 27 Dec 50

In 1950, the Estonian Railroad System continually exceeded the plan for carrying, the plan for lowering the cost of production, and the plan for increasing labor productivity. During 11 months, the system exceeded all the basic indexes. The plan for freight car turnsround time was fulfilled 104.5 percent, the cost of production was reduced 2.7 percent, and above-plan profits amounted to about 10 million rubles.

Since the first of the year, the system saved 19,000 tons of shale and carried more than 400,000 tons of freight above the norm.

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KARAGANDA SYSTEM MEETS CARLOADING PLAN -- Frunze, Kazakhstanskaya Pravda, 21 Dec 50

The Karaganda Railroad System has completed the year plan for carloadings and has exceeded the year plan for unloadings.

SUBURBAN FARES REDUCED FOR 56 CITIES -- Tallin, Sovetskaya Estoniya, 31 Dec 50

By decree of the government, the price of railroad tickets for suburban service trains in 56 cities has been reduced. The fare on trains other than suburban trains between suburban points will remain as formerly. In addition, the fare reduction does not apply to commuter or season tickets.

Tallin is one of the 56 cities affected by the decree.

CONTAINER CARRYING INCREASES -- Moscow, Gudok, 29 Nov 50

By decision of the government, this year much has been done to increase the volume of container carrying: the number of containers has increased 25 percent over 1949, many of the new additions are all-metal, and 26 additional container-handling points have been opened. To handle container carrying, a special administration and corresponding departments in the okrugs have been set up.

However, the 10-month plan for container carrying was completed only 98 percent. The Turkestan-Siberia System (79.4 percent), the Ryazan'-Ural System (84.5 percent), the Southwestern System (86.2 percent), and the South Donets System (88.4 percent) handled their assignments particularly unsatisfactorily. The volume of container carrying would be considerably greater if all of the okrugs put into operation the new container-handling points provided for by the plan.

MOSCOW-KRYUKOVO LINE TO OPEN SOON -- Moscow, Moskovskaya Pravda, 20 Dec 50

Construction of the new electrified line between Moscow and Kryukovo on the October Railroad System is being completed.

Twelve hundred catenary system supports have been erected on the 40 kilometers sector and 23 ferroconcrete passenger platforms have been built.

Electric trains will make the following stops: Rizhskaya, Ostankino, Petrovsko-Razumovskoye, Khovrino-1, Khovrino-2, Planernaya, Novo-Podrezkovo, Staro-Podrezkovo, Khimki. Skhodnya, Firsanovka, Kryukovo. Traffic will be opened on the line in the near future. The line is the first electrified section on the October System.

BUILD SUBSTATIONS ON INSKAYA CHULYMSKAYA LINE -- Moscow, Gudok, 12 Nov 50

On the Inskaya Chulymskaya line, now being electrified, a traction substation has been built at Zakholustnoye. Substations have also been built at Duplenskaya and Kabinetnoye.

SIDINGS PLANNED ON TURKSIB UNCOMPLETED -- Moscow, Gudok, 15 Nov 50

To increase the traffic capacity of the Shemonaikha-Zashchita sector and the Ridder branch of the Turkestan-Siberia Railroad System, it was decided this summer to build additional sidings. However, their construction has not yet been finished.

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